

## ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a promoter of the synoviolin gene comprising at least the nucleotide sequence of nucleotides 2120-2130 in the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID: NO 1 or 2, or comprising at least the nucleotide sequence of the region of nucleotides 1-2201, 969-2201, 1142-2201, 1699-2201, 1880-2201, 2002-2201, 2094-2201 or 2118-2201 in the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID: NO 1 or 2; or a method for regulating transcription activity characterized in that the activity of the promoter is inhibited or enhanced.